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**Office Action Summary**

Application No.

10/004,948

Applicant(s)

LONGNECKER ET AL.

Examiner

Zoila E. Cabrera

Art Unit

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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 05 December 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 14 February 2002 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Claim Objections*

1. Claim 15 and therefore claims 16-21 are objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 15, lines 2-3 recites "the computer program product". There is no antecedent basis for such limitation. Appropriate correction is required.

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by **Tsuchida et al. (US 2003/0177024 A1)**.

Claims 1, 8, 15 and 22 are so broad as to read in **Tsuchida** who discloses a method, a computer program product and a system for producing a drawing of components and connections needed to implement a desired system, comprising:

- receiving user needs of the desired system (Page 3, 0074 lines 1-5; Fig. 1, Electronic Drawing Data Dx, elements 11 and 12, supplier 12 receives Drawing Data from Customer 11); determining components and connections needed to implement a system that satisfies the user needs (Page 7, 0120, lines 3-7);

generating a drawing program input that provides instructions for producing a drawing of the system that satisfies the user needs (Fig. 28, S700 – S704; Page 8, paragraphs 0130 – 0131 and 0134); and sending the drawing program input to a drawing program (Page 8, 0141; Fig. 1, Electronic Drawing Data Dx and Electronic Drawing Data Dc).

Regarding claims 2-7, 9-14, 16-21 and 23-28, **Tsuchida** further discloses,

- providing a graphical user interface for receiving the user needs of the desired system (Fig. 3);
- the graphical user interface comprises a plurality of graphical user interfaces (Fig. 3);
- the plurality of graphical user interfaces are presented to the user sequentially (Fig. 5, i.e., Received Unit No. 0014, 0018, 0024; Fig. 3, Received Unit No. and “Details are displayed by Double Click”);
- generating, with the drawing program, the drawing of the desired system (Fig. 28, S704);
- the desired system is a system to implement web hosting (Page 3, 0068, lines 1-6; Fig. 1, element 15);
- determining components and connections needed to implement the system that satisfies the user needs comprises referencing a set of policies that must be satisfied in order for the desired system to function properly (Page 5, 0084, lines 3-8, i.e. there is a format rule specific to each orderer or customer 11).

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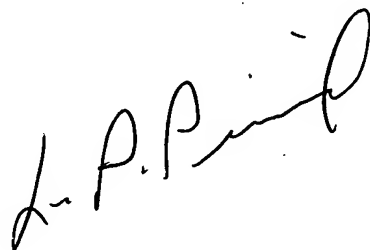
**Conclusion**

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Zoila Cabrera, whose telephone number is (703) 306-4768. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST (every other Friday).

If attempts to reach the examiner by phone fail, the examiner's supervisor, Leo Picard, can be reached on (703) 308-0538. Additionally, the fax phones for Art Unit 2125 are (703) 872-9306. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the group receptionist at (703) 305-9600.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Picard", written in a cursive style.

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